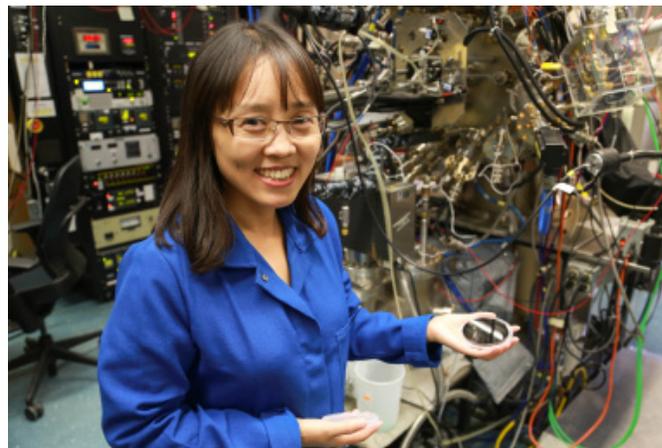




UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA
Asian American Community



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WELCOMING ATMOSPHERE



HENRY T. YANG

Chancellor

University of California,
Santa Barbara

Dear Prospective Students:

Thank you for your interest in UC Santa Barbara! This is an exciting time for you to be thinking about your future, and we are glad you are considering our campus as the next step in your education. You will find that the roads to growth and personal fulfillment take you far beyond intellectual pursuits. With that in mind, I invite you to get acquainted with our vibrant campus life.

This Asian American Resource Guide provides information on a wonderful variety of student clubs, programs, organizations, cultural events, activities, and campus services available to you, should you choose to become part of our UCSB family. I encourage you to browse through this guide and familiarize yourself with our community, including our Asian Resource Center. This center, created with students like you in mind, is one of many academic and personal support systems on our campus.

At UC Santa Barbara, our community encompasses a rich and diverse mix of cultures, backgrounds, talents, and perspectives. This diversity is an essential part of our academic excellence. Our university is proud to offer an Asian American Studies Department and an East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies Department – both of which are celebrating their 20th anniversary this year. We are also home to a newly established Confucius Institute and an Asian and Pacific American collection in our library.

Many exciting opportunities and rewarding experiences lie ahead for you at UC Santa Barbara, and we hope to have the pleasure of welcoming you to our beautiful campus in the fall. In the meantime, I offer you my sincerest best wishes for your continued success.



SHUJI NAKAMURA

Nobel Laureate
in Physics, 2014

Professor of Materials and
Electrical & Computer
Engineering

Welcome to the Asian American Resource Guide! I am so glad that you are interested in joining the academically vibrant and culturally diverse UC Santa Barbara community.

At UC Santa Barbara, our students have access to top-ranked programs, faculty-led research opportunities and amazing student resources all in a rigorous yet supportive environment. Our outstanding students are scholars, researchers, artists, entrepreneurs, leaders and global citizens. Students here have the chance to work with exceptional faculty at the top of their respective fields, and our undergraduate focus means they can form close and lasting relationships with these professors.

As a Nobel Laureate in Physics, I know firsthand how the research and discoveries made at UC Santa Barbara impact the world. Our campus values innovation, entrepreneurship, interdisciplinary collaboration and community, and our reach stretches beyond the classroom. A UC Santa Barbara degree not only provides you with unique and exciting opportunities while on campus but also opens the doors to your future. I welcome you to learn more about UCSB and picture yourself as a future Gaucho.



9,000

students volunteer
in the local
community

500

student
organizations



50%

of UCSB students
conduct research
with faculty

UNMATCHED RESOURCES

For a complete list of campus organizations at UCSB, please visit <http://osl.sa.ucsb.edu/orglist>.

ASIAN RESOURCE CENTER (ARC)

The ARC promotes education and awareness of the diverse ethnicities within the Asian Pacific American community. The center also provides a supportive environment to develop an appreciation for one's identity.

www.sa.ucsb.edu/EOP/ARC

EAST ASIA CENTER

Separate from the ARC, the East Asia Center organizes lectures and events on the culture, history, politics and societies of China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong. Students may request to join a listserv to receive email messages about upcoming events and announcements of fellowships and grants.

www.eac.ucsb.edu

MIDDLE EASTERN RESOURCE CENTER (MERC)

The MERC promotes awareness and education of Middle Eastern heritage through dialogue and programs in the arts, music and culture. It aims to integrate Middle Eastern students into the campus community and support their academic success. www.sa.ucsb.edu/EOP/MERC

EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAM (EAP)

The Education Abroad Program (EAP) allows UCSB students to study abroad in one of 40 countries around the world while earning course credit. There are opportunities for students in every major, and programs range in length from one quarter to one year. <http://eap.ucsb.edu>

ASIAN STUDIES AT UCSB

ASIAN AMERICAN STUDIES, B.A.

The Department of Asian American Studies was one of the first independent academic departments in the U.S. devoted to the study of Asian Americans. Students learn to evaluate the existing literature on Asian American communities, to analyze a variety of data on Asian Americans and to conduct original research. <http://www.asamst.ucsb.edu>

EAST ASIAN LANGUAGES & CULTURAL STUDIES

The East Asian Languages and Cultural Studies Department offers Bachelor's degrees in Asian Studies, Chinese and Japanese as well as minors in Chinese in Japanese. The department is dedicated to the study of China, Japan and Korea. Graduates go on to work in international business, banking, law, diplomacy, public service, research, teaching, translation services and the arts. <http://www.eastasian.ucsb.edu>

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority
Anime Club
Asian American Christian Fellowship
Asian Pacific Islander Political Alliance
Chi Delta Theta Sorority
Chinese Cultural Exchange Association
Chinese Student and Scholar Organization
Chinese Student Association
Dhadkan Bollywood Fusion Dance Team
EPIC
Gamelan Kyai Selamat
Hmong Student Association
Hong Kong Student Association
Iaorana Te Otea (ITO)
Indian Association of Santa Barbara
Indus (South Asian Student Association)
Japanese Language Café
Japanese Student Association (JSA)
Kapatirang Pilipino
Khmer Student Association
Korean American Campus Missions
Korean American Student Association
Korea Campus Crusade for Christ
Multicultural Center Council
Nikkei Student Union
Pi Alpha Phi
Queer Asian and Pacific Islanders
Raagmala
Ramjaat Raas
Ravaani
SDS Bhangra
Seoul'd Out!
Sigma Kappa Chi Sorority
South Asian Student Association
South East Asian Graduation
Taiwanese American Student Association
Taiwanese Student Association
Thai Student Union
Vietnamese Student Association

73%

of undergraduate classes have fewer than 30 students

18:1

student-to-faculty ratio



18,000+

students live within a mile of campus



ASIAN AMERICAN STUDENT PERSPECTIVES



EILEEN LIU

Political Science, Class of 2016

WHY UCSB? I visited UCSB and absolutely loved it! The students and faculty were friendly and the school itself was beautiful. It was the perfect fit for me academically as well as socially.

HOW ARE YOU INVOLVED AT UCSB? I'm part of a bunch of cultural organizations on campus such as Kapatirang Pilipino and Vietnamese Student Association. I'm also involved in a Pre-Law organization called LEAD. I did hall mentoring for a year and participated in a few campus events as well.



MOHSIN MIRZA

Sociology / Black Studies, Class of 2016

WHY UCSB? I chose UCSB because I wanted the best education I could give myself. The opportunity to go to a school of this quality was simply too good to turn down.

COMMUNITY AT UCSB Here at UCSB we have some incredible faculty. For me though, my understanding of the world had been shaped and changed by the people here fighting for justice and change. Students have been at the forefront of every movement in history, and that collective knowledge is in the hands of all my peers.



ALVIN BASILIO

Biological Sciences, Class of 2016

WHY UCSB? The days here seemed like an endless summer dream by the beach, something I didn't experience at any other campus. The friendliness and welcoming attitudes of everyone made this place almost unreal! I guess that's what happens when you live in paradise.

COMMUNITY AT UCSB In truth, coming into UCSB as a Filipino American male and living on the Asian Pacific Islander floor (a Housing & Residential Services Living Learning Community) my freshman year, I've been able to meet my best friends.



VIVIAN WOO

Environmental Studies, Class of 2015

WHY UCSB? I chose UCSB for many reasons—constant trips to the beach for sunrises and sunsets; the weather is perfect; there is an emphasis on nature and environment; transportation is

accessible; the student body is intelligent *and* social; and there is a promotion of diversity.

HOW ARE YOU INVOLVED AT UCSB? I'm part of a coeducational National Service Fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, and I contribute at least 20 hours of community service every quarter. I'm part of EOP and I studied abroad in fall 2014.

VISIT UCSB OR CONNECT VIRTUALLY

For information on scheduling a campus tour, visit the Office of Admissions website at www.admissions.ucsb.edu/visit-ucsb/tours. Can't visit in person? Stay connected to UCSB with virtual college fairs, online advising opportunities and webinars. To learn more, visit www.admissions.ucsb.edu/visit-ucsb/webinars.

SPRING INSIGHT OPEN HOUSE

Visit UCSB for Spring Insight, an open house for admitted students, future applicants and their families held annually in April. Meet with campus clubs and organizations, take a tour, attend lectures and hear about all the exciting opportunities available to UCSB students. Learn more at www.admissions.ucsb.edu/visit-ucsb/open-house.

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